

**Chambers of Judge Harry A. Haines**

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**Harry A. Haines**  
Judge

Date of Birth: May 30, 1939  
Education: St Olaf 1961 BA; Montana 1964 LLB; NYU 1966 LLM  
Began Service: April 22, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: April 2018

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of Montana (1965); Teaching Fellow, New York University Law School (1966); Lecturer-in-Law, University of Montana (1967); Lecturer-in-Law, University of Montana (1970); Lecturer-in-Law, University of Montana (1974); Lecturer-in-Law, University of Montana (1981-1991); Fellow, American College of Trust and Estate Counsel

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Worden Thane & Haines, PC (1966-2003)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; State Bar of Montana

**Chambers of Judge James S. Halpern**

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**James S. Halpern**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: Wharton 1967 BS; Pennsylvania 1972 JD; NYU 1975 LLM  
Began Service: July 3, 1990  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Affiliation:** Adjunct Professor, Law School, The George Washington University

**Academic:** Assistant Professor, Washington and Lee (1975-1976); Assistant Professor, St. John's University (1976-1979); Visiting Professor, New York University (1979-1980)

**Government:** Principal Technical Advisor, Assistant Commissioner and Associate Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service, United States Department of the Treasury (1980-1983)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Mudge, Rose, Guthrie, Alexander & Ferdon (1972-1974); Associate, Roberts & Holland (1979-1980); Partner, Baker and Hostetler (1983-1990)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1967-1969); United States Army Reserve (1968-1997)

**Staff**

Attorney-Advisor **Frederick E. Wallach** ..... (202) 521-0707  
Education: Williams 1959 BA; Harvard 1962 JD;  
George Washington 1970 LLM

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Education: American U 2005 JD;  
George Washington 1997 BA;  
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**Mark van Dyke Holmes**  
Judge

Date of Birth: July 6, 1960  
Education: Harvard 1979 BA; Chicago 1983 JD  
Began Service: June 30, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: June 30, 2018  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk Alex Kozinski, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1985-1987)

**Government:** Counsel to Commissioners, United States International Trade Commission (1991-1996); Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Tax Division (2001-2003)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Cahill Gordon & Reindel (1983-1985); Associate, Sullivan & Cromwell (1987-1991); Counsel, Miller & Chevalier (1996-2001)

**Current Memberships:** Litigation Section, American Bar Association; Section of Taxation, American Bar Association

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Nancy Gilmore** ..... (202) 521-0714  
Began Service: September 2006  
Term Expires: September 2007

Law Clerk **Sam Williams** ..... (202) 521-0714  
Began Service: October 2006  
Term Expires: October 2007

**Chambers of Judge Diane L. Kroupa**

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**Diane L. Kroupa**  
Judge

Education: Georgetown 1978 BSFS; South Dakota 1981 JD  
Began Service: June 13, 2003  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush  
Term Expires: June 12, 2018  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Current Memberships:** Section of Taxation, American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; Minnesota State Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; State Bar of South Dakota

**Staff**

Law Clerk/Attorney Advisor **Jason Binder** ..... (202) 521-0725  
Term Expires: June 2008

Law Clerk **Emily Walsh** ..... (202) 521-0725  
Term Expires: August 2007

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**Chambers of Judge David Laro**

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**David Laro**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Michigan 1964 BA; Illinois 1967 JD; NYU 1970 LLM  
Began Service: November 2, 1992  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush  
Term Expires: November 2, 2007

**Academic:** Adjunct Faculty, Georgetown University; Visiting Professor, University of San Diego School of Law

**Corporate:** Chairman, Republic Bank (1986-1992); President & Chief Executive Officer, Durakon Industries Inc (1989-1991)

**Legal Practice:** Winegarden, Booth, Shedd and Laro (1970-1975); Laro & Borgeson (1975-1986); David Laro, Attorney at Law (1986-1992); Of Counsel, Dykema Gossett (1989-1990)

**Current Memberships:** State Bar of Michigan

**Staff**

Attorney-Advisor **James Orefice** ..... (202) 521-0738  
Education: Georgetown LLM

Confidential Assistant **Rebecca Taynan** ..... (202) 521-0738

**Chambers of Judge L. Paige Marvel**

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**L. Paige Marvel**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1949  
Education: Notre Dame 1971 BA;  
Maryland 1974 JD  
Began Service: April 6, 1998  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Term Expires: April 5, 2013  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Legal Practice:** Member, Garbis, Marvel & Junghans, P.A. (formerly Garbis & Schwait) (1974-1986); Member, Melnicove, Kaufman, Weiner, Smouse & Garbis, P.A. (1986-1988); Partner, Venable, Baetjer & Howard, LLP (1988-1998)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Tax Counsel; The American Law Institute; Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.; Maryland Bar Foundation, Maryland State Bar Association, Inc.

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Andrew F. Gordon** ..... (202) 521-0740  
Began Service: August 2006  
Term Expires: August 2008

Education: Florida 2005 JD; NYU 2006 LLM

Law Clerk **Karen Oehling** ..... (202) 521-0740  
Education: Duquesne MS, 2005 JD

Secretary **Patricia J. Flagg** ..... (202) 606-8871

**Chambers of Judge Stephen J. Swift**

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**Stephen J. Swift**  
Judge

Date of Birth: September 7, 1943  
Education: Brigham Young 1967 BS; George Washington 1970 JD  
Began Service: 1983  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Term Expires: 2014  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Affiliation:** Adjunct Professor, Graduate Tax Program, University of Baltimore

**Academic:** Adjunct Professor, Graduate Tax Program, Golden Gate University; Adjunct Professor, University of Baltimore

**Corporate:** Vice President and Senior Tax Counsel, Bank of America NT & SA (1977-1983)

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Honors Program, Tax Division, United States Department of Justice (1970-1974); Assistant United States Attorney, Tax Division, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1974-1977)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The District of Columbia Bar; The State Bar of California

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Matthew C. Hunsaker** ..... (202) 521-0760  
Education: J Reuben Clark Law JD

Law Clerk **Anna Long** ..... (202) 521-0760  
Education: J Reuben Clark Law 2001 JD;  
San Diego 2006 LLM

Confidential Assistant **Diane Groves** ..... (202) 521-0760  
Education: Maryland BA

**Chambers of Judge Michael B. Thornton**

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**Michael B. Thornton**  
Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Southern Mississippi 1976 BS, 1977 MS; Tennessee 1979 MA;  
Duke 1982 JD  
Began Service: March 9, 1998  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton  
Term Expires: March 9, 2013

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Charles Clark, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1983-1984)

**Government:** Tax Counsel, Committee on Ways and Means, United States House of Representatives (1988-1995); Deputy Tax Legislative Counsel, Office of Tax Policy, United States Department of the Treasury (1995-1998)

**Legal Practice:** Sutherland, Asbill and Brennan (1982-1983); Miller & Chevalier (1985-1988)

**Staff**

Attorney-Advisor **Emily Green Ellison** ..... (202) 521-0700  
Education: Florida 2006 LLM

Secretary **Gay L. Rodey** ..... (202) 521-0700